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Dear Sir:

Applicants submit herewith references of which they are aware, which they believe may be material to the examination of this application and with respect to which there may be a duty to disclose in accordance with 37 CFR § 1.56.

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In accordance with 37 CFR § 1.98 submitted herewith for consideration by the Examiner are the following patents, publications and other information:

PATENTS

U.S. Patent No. 5,659,615 issued August 19, 1997 to Dillon.
U.S. Patent No. 5,625,864 issued April 29, 1997 to Budow et al.
U.S. Patent No. 5,594,490 issued January 14, 1997 to Dawson et al.
U.S. Patent No. 5,566,353 issued October 15, 1996 to Cho et al.
U.S. Patent No. 5,550,575 issued August 27, 1996 to West et al.
U.S. Patent No. 5,488,410 issued January 30, 1996 to Lieberfarb et al.
U.S. Patent No. 5,461,674 issued October 24, 1995 to Citta.
U.S. Patent No. 5,400,402 issued March 31, 1995 to Garfinkle
U.S. Patent No. 5,386,255 issued January 31, 1995 to Beard et al.
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While the references identified herein may be material to the examination of this application pursuant to 37 CFR § 1.56, the citation of these references is not intended to constitute an admission that any reference referred to herein is prior art to the invention of this application unless specifically designated as such.

The filing of this document shall not be construed to mean that any search has been made or, that if made such search was complete or exhaustive, or that no other material information as defined in 37 CFR § 1.56 exists.

A list of the references cited herein is set forth on Form PTO-1449 which is enclosed herewith in duplicate along with a copy of each cited reference. Applicants respectfully request that the Examiner return to Applicants the enclosed copy of the Form PTO-1449 indicating consideration of the references.

Respectfully submitted,

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